



Bridlewood Primary School

Newsletter: 22nd May 2026

Message from the Headteacher

We are delighted to share that our Year 5/6 QuadKids team achieved an excellent 4th place finish in the Swindon Schools competition this week - well done to all the pupils involved for their fantastic effort and team spirit. A big thank you goes to Mr Hilliker for organising the event, and to our parents for their invaluable support with transport.

Today, we also enjoyed our Term 5 Discovery Day, which focused on *Careers*. We were pleased to work alongside the Education Business Partnership, who delivered engaging workshops for Key Stage 2 pupils, including sessions on engineering. Across the school, all classes explored finance and money as part of their learning and completed their usual careers lesson for the term. We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to the parents who came into school to talk to the children about their jobs and answer their thoughtful questions - your support helped make the day a great success.

Also this week, our Key Stage 2 classes took part in valuable first aid and CPR sessions delivered by the Wiltshire Air Ambulance, equipping pupils with important life-saving skills. Our running festival sadly had to be postponed due to the weather; we will let you know if we are able to arrange a new date in Term 6.

We say goodbye to Miss Briggs today and wish her well in her new role at the local authority. We are pleased to welcome Ms Christmas to Ash Class for Term 6.

A reminder that trainers should not be worn on non-PE days, and that tracksuit bottoms, leggings or shorts should be black. Please use the half term break to check that uniform still fits. Jewellery is not permitted in school - only a watch and stud earrings may be worn. If your child needs to deviate from these expectations, please provide a written explanation to the class teacher. We appreciate your continued support in helping us maintain high standards.

Finally, we hope you all have a lovely half term break and return refreshed and ready for the final, busy term of the year.

House points for this week!

Blunsdon: 185



Liddington: 211



Silbury: 139



Uffington: 154



Well done to Liddington for being this week's winners and to Blunsdon for being the winners for May.

**Our Core Value this term is
Responsibility
Our Assembly Theme this term is
Service**

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Attendance

Well done to Pine class for having the highest attendance for May. Third month in a row - amazing!



SCHOOL WEBSITE / FACEBOOK PAGE

Need to find out what is going on in class? Can't find your copy of the newsletter? Want to view the latest gallery?

You can find all this on: www.bridlewoodprimaryschool.org.uk or [Facebook page](#)

Diary Dates

22/05/26	Last day of Term 5
01/06/26	Inset Day - School and Nursery Closed
02/06/26	Start of Term 6
02/06/26	Reception Cotswold Wildlife Park Trip
04/06/26	Y1/2 Quadkids (for selected pupils)
04/06/26	Y3 Walk to Abbey Park
05/06/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
08/06/26	Y6 Junior Good Citizen
09/06/26	Y3 Museum & Art Swindon Trip
09/06/26	Girls Dynamos Cricket for selected pupils
09/06/26	Y4 Oxenwood Teams Meeting 4pm
12/06/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
16/06/26	PSHE content for Sept 2026 Parent Teams Meeting 4pm
17/06/26	Y1 Cotswold Beach Trip
17/06/26	Y2 Jonathan Jungle Visitor
19/06/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
22/06/26	Y6 Production to parents 6pm
24-26/06/26	Y4 Oxenwood Residential
26/06/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
29/06/26	Julia's House Big Teddy Takeover
03/07/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
03/07/26	PTA Summer Fete 5-8pm
06/07/26	Y6 Lake 32 Trip
07/07/26	Sports Day - details to follow
08/07/26	Reception Class Assembly 9.10am
10/07/26	Y3 and Y6 Swimming
16/07/26	Infant Voice Festival 4.45pm
17/07/26	Last day of term - school finishes at 1.30pm and Nursery open for morning session only (until 11.40am)
03/09/26	2026/2027 Term 1 starts

Sun Safety

Now the weather is warming up please ensure your child has a named sun hat and water bottle in school and apply all day sun cream before they arrive at school, in order to protect them from the sun.



Year 5/6 Quad Kids

The Year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school brilliantly at the Quad Kids competition, on Thursday performing to the best of their ability in every event. They worked incredibly hard throughout the day, showed great determination, and supported and encouraged one another at every opportunity. Their teamwork, effort, and positive attitude were outstanding, helping them achieve an impressive 4th place overall out of 10 competing teams. Well done to everyone involved and thank you for the parents who supported.

Gifts

The PTA will be giving children the opportunity to buy a gift for someone special on Friday 19th June, which will take place during the school day.

If you would like your child to participate in the event, please see full details on the [letter](#).

Please note we cannot accept late orders as we will be ordering exact quantities for the event.

Deadline to purchase is Tuesday 9th June.



We're taking part in the Big Teddy Takeover with Julia's House!

Bring your favourite cuddly toy into school, wear your pyjamas and make a donation to raise money for our local children's hospice charity.

Our Big Teddy Takeover will take place on

Monday 29th June 2026

Don't forget your teddy and £1 donation!

Find out more about Julia's House at juliashouse.org/teddy

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Do you know a child or young person in need of mental health support?

Our trainee therapists offer free, timely Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) for young people aged 10-17 experiencing moderate mental health difficulties.

What is CBT?



CBT is a talking therapy that focuses on the link between feelings, thoughts and behaviours. It can help people notice patterns that may be keeping them stuck and develop more helpful ways of coping and responding. It is suitable for a range of difficulties, including:

Phobias

OCD

Depression

Anxiety

PTSD

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How is the service accessed?



We currently have a small number of spaces available. To express interest and learn more about our referral criteria please send a direct enquiry to:

naomi.marturano@barnardos.org.uk

We are not a crisis service. If urgent support is required please contact your GP or NHS 111

Please note: As a training service it is a requirement that therapists record a proportion of sessions for assessment and supervision purposes. Full information will be provided.